H-3111-1 - OVER-THE-COUNTER OFFERS

Format for Decision of Offer to Lease Rejected



United States Department of the Interior BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

IN REPLY REFER TO: Serial No.

CERTIFIED MAIL--RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

DECISION : : : Oil and Gas

Offer to Lease Rejected

Oil and gas lease offer <u>(serial number)</u> is rejected in its entirety for the following reason(s):

- () Regulations contained in 43 CFR 3111.2-2(d) require that a lease offer be accompanied by 3 copies of a map <u>clearly marked</u> showing the administrative unit or project of which they are a part. Your offer did not comply with this requirement.
- () Lands in cancelled, relinquished, terminated or expired leases may be leased only under the provisions of Title 43 CFR 3112. At the time your offer was filed, the lands were not available for over-the-counter filing as outlined in Title 43 CFR 3111.
- () The first year's rental is deficient by more than 10% or \$200. See 43 CFR 3103.2-1(a).
- () The total available acreage in your offer is less than 640 acres and is not within the exceptions named in 43 CFR 3110.1-3(a).
- () The following lands are included in a private patent which reserves no mineral rights to the United States.
- () The following lands in your offer are included in an existing oil and gas lease which has been issued to another party. In the event of an appeal, you must send a copy of the appeal to the adverse party (lessee).
- () Other.

This decision will become final 30 days from receipt, in the absence of an appeal. A refund of the first year's advance rental will be initiated at the end of the appeal period unless this decision is appealed.

Standard appeal paragraph (see H-3100-1).

Authorized Officer

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